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MS PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This is a Request for filing a ☐ continuation ☒ divisional
☐ continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of
pending prior Application No. 09/987,157 filed on November 13,
2001, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by
reference,
by

Tomohisa OKUNO and Yuichi SATO

for

VOLTAGE CONVERSION CIRCUIT AND SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED CIRCUIT
DEVICE PROVIDED THEREWITH

1. ☒ Enclosed is an application consisting of specification,
claims, declaration and drawings/photographs (if
applicable).
2. ☒ The filing fee has been calculated as follows:

	BASIC FEE		LARGE ENTITY	SMALL ENTITY
	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE FEE	RATE FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	7-20 =	0	x 18 = \$0.00	x 9 = \$0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	1-3 =	0	x 84 = \$0.00	x 42 = \$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED			+ \$280.00	+ \$140.00
TOTAL			\$750.00	\$0.00

3. ☒ A check in the amount of \$750.00 to cover the filing fee and recording fee (if applicable) is enclosed.
4. ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this request is enclosed.
5. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line thereof the following:
- a. ☒ --This application is a ☐ continuation ☒ divisional ☐ continuation-in-part of co-pending Application No. 09/987,157, filed on November 13, 2001, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference and for which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120; and this application claims priority of Application No. 2000-344809 filed in Japan on November 13, 2000 under 35 U.S.C. § 119.--
- b. ☐ --This application is a ☐ continuation ☐ divisional ☐ continuation-in-part of co-pending Application No. 09/987,157, filed on November 13, 2001 and for which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120. Application No. 09/987,157 is the national phase of PCT International Application No. PCT/_____/_____ filed on _____ under 35 U.S.C. § 371. The entire contents of each of the above-identified applications are hereby incorporated by reference. This application also claims priority of Application No. _____ filed in _____ on _____ under 35 U.S.C. § 119.--

6. ☒ Enclosed is/are twenty (20) sheet(s) of formal drawings and/or photographs.
- 7a. ☐ A statement claiming small entity status was filed in prior Application No. 09/987,157 on _____. See the attached copy of the statement claiming small entity status.
- 7b. ☐ The current application qualifies for small entity status.
8. ☒ The prior application is assigned to Sharp Kabushiki Kaisha.
9. ☐ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- 10a. ☒ Priority of Application No(s). 2000-344809 filed in Japan on November 13, 2000 is/are claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on November 13, 2001.
- 10b. ☐ Priority of International Appln. _____ filed on _____ under the Patent Cooperation Treaty and _____ Application No. _____ filed in _____ on _____ under 35 U.S.C. § 120 and/or § 119 are hereby reclaimed.
11. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.
12. ☒ Address all future communications to:

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13. ☐ An extension of time for _____ () month(s) until _____ has been submitted in parent Application No. 09/987,157 in order to establish co-pendency with the present application.
14. ☐ Also enclosed herewith is the following:

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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